

Examiner's Amendment and Reasons for Allowance

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Howard Sheerin on 9/16/08.
3. The application has been further amended as follows:
Claims 36-47 have been cancelled.
4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art made of record fails to anticipate or make obvious the claimed invention. Specifically, the prior art fails to teach, in combination with the remaining elements:

while input focus is on the first window, receiving a copy speech command from a user, and in response to the copy speech command: setting input focus on the second window; and waiting for the user to select text from the second window; when the user selects the text from the second window, performing the following steps independent of user input: copying the selected text; switching focus back to the first window; and pasting the selected text into the first window as recited in claims 48 and 51.

Although Balakrishnan and Ito teach a substantial amount of the claimed matters, Balakrishnan and Ito fail to anticipate or render the above underlined limitations obvious.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Lê Nguyen whose telephone number is **(571) 272-4068**. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm (EST).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Stephen Hong, can be reached at (571) 272-4124.

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Patent Examiner

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